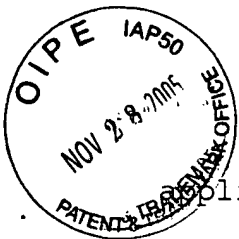


#### REMARKS

In the outstanding Official Action, claims 2, 4-6, 11, 15, 16, and 18 were rejected, while claims 7-10, 12-14 and 17 were allowed or indicated to be allowable. Additionally, the objection to claims 7 and 17-18 has been withdrawn in view of Applicant's last amendment.

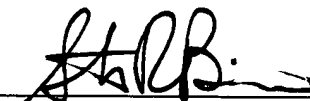
In response, and in order to place the instant application in condition for allowance at this time, claims 2, 12, 16 and 18 have been cancelled, without prejudice, claim 19 has been added, and claims 4, 5, 6, 11 and 13 have been amended. After entry of this amendment, it is respectfully submitted that all of the remaining pending claims will contain allowed or allowable subject matter, namely the subject matter of claims 7-10, 12-14 and 17, with the remaining additional claims being dependent claims further limiting the foregoing subject matter.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all of the currently-pending claims contain subject matter which has been found to be allowed or allowable and that the instant



Application is therefore now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

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